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uary, 1888, it was reduced to 230; January, 1901, to 115; 1902, to about 80.

The use of gas had to be gradually abandoned from 1900 on. In the winter of 1905-'06 the supply fell far short at Muncie, which is nearly in the heart of the district. Three years ago the pipe-lines refused to supply gas longer. The "gas field" or "belt" is now history. Natural gas, though still used in places, as a commercial factor is a thing of the past.

INDIAN LANGUAGES.

THE resolution passed at the last meeting of the Indiana Historical Society, given below, should receive the support of all who are interested in the history of the former Northwestern Territory. Mr. Jacob P. Dunn has collected much information about the meaning of Indian names and has urged for some time that concerted action be taken for the preservation of the knowledge still remaining in this interesting field. It is to be hoped that through the national Bureau of Ethnology a larger work than it is possible for individuals to do may be brought about.

The resolution referred to is as follows:

WHEREAS, The Indian tribes that formerly inhabited the Ohio Valley have been widely scattered, and there is danger that their languages may be lost through the younger generation's adopting the English language, and,

WHEREAS, There is no adequate source of information now available in print even as to the meaning of the names of lakes and streams left to us by the Miamis, Pottawattamies, Shawnees and other tribes,

Resolved, That the national Bureau of Ethnology be requested to collect and publish such information as to these languages as can now be obtained, and especially that of the great Miami nation, including the Weas, Piankeshaws, Peorias, Kaskaskias and other tribes who occupied the greater part of Indiana and Illinois;

Resolved, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to use their influence to secure this result, and to

obtain appropriations for the expense thereof, if such appropriations are needed;

Resolved, further, That these resolutions be communicated to the other historical societies of the States formed from the Northwestern Territory, with a request that they take a similar action.

AN EARLY TRADES UNION.

AT a meeting of the majority of the Tailors of the Burrough of Vincennes, held in the shop of Jacob Shull & Francis Cross, on the 18th day of May, 1816, for the purpose of establishing a regular price for work done in their line of business in the future; and after some deliberation established the following prices, to-wit:

For making—		Dol. Cts.
A gentleman's great coat	6	
A cloak	3	
A gentleman's dress coat	5	
A frock coat.....	5	
A surtout	5	50
A waistcoat	2	
Pantaloon	2	
Hussars	2	75
Sharrivallies.....	3	50
Short Breeches	2	50
Round-about.....	2	50
Dragoon's coat.....	5	

Summer Clothing.—Gingham or Cotton, for making coat, \$4.50. Flannel flips on foxing pantaloons, \$1. Lady's coat, from four dollars to six dollars and fifty cents.

Minor's Clothing.—Over ten and under 16 years of age, half price.

For cutting out a coat, \$1. Pantaloons or vests, 37½c.

H. RUBLE,
HUGH KELLY,
JACOB SCHULL,
FRANCIS CROSS.

May 23, 1816.